Adopted Rejected

COMMITTEE REPORT

YES: 11 NO: 0

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on <u>Judiciary</u>, to which was referred <u>Senate Bill 342</u>, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

1 Page 8, after line 11, begin a new paragraph and insert: 2 "SECTION 8. IC 35-33-6-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 2. (a) An owner or 3 4 agent of a store who has probable cause to believe that a theft has 5 occurred or is occurring on or about the store and who has probable 6 cause to believe that a specific person has committed or is committing 7 the theft: 8 (1) may: (1) (A) detain the person and request the person to identify 10 himself or herself; 11 (2) (B) verify the identification; 12 (3) (C) determine whether the person has in his the person's 13 possession unpurchased merchandise taken from the store; 14 (4) (D) inform the appropriate law enforcement officers; and

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1	(5) (E) inform the person's parents or others interested in the
2	person's welfare that the person has been detained; but
3	(2) shall not ask the person to sign a written instrument that
4	acknowledges that the person committed the theft or waives
5	any of the person's legal rights if:
6	(A) the person is less than eighteen (18) years of age; and
7	(B) no parent or guardian of the person is present at the
8	time the person is asked to sign the written instrument.
9	(b) The detention must:
0	(1) be reasonable and last only for a reasonable time; and
1	(2) not extend beyond the arrival of a law enforcement officer or
2	two (2) hours, whichever first occurs.".
	(Reference is to SB 342 as printed February 13, 2009.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Representative Lawson L

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